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Late News Of State-Nation Told Briefly

MARRIAGE BUSTED
Hollywood, July 19.—Joan Crawford and Franchot Tone, movie stars, issued a joint statement tonight saying they had separated, that Tone was moving to separate quarters, and that they were parting the best of friends.

HOLE VALUABLE
Denver, July 19.—William H. Pile, 15, was saved by the hole in a tax token today. He was holding the token under his lip to curb a nosebleed when it slipped and lodged in his throat. Physicians said it blocked the passageway but he could breathe through the hole.

"BEAUTIFUL" BABY.
Philadelphia, July 19.—A 10-pound boy, described by his father as "beautiful," was born at the Pennsylvania hospital today to Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt, Jr., wife of the President's third son. The blushing father personally announced to reporters that both mother and child were "fine." He said he and his wife, the former Ethel du Pont, had not decided on a name for their first-born, the President's eighth grandchild.

BIG MAN SUCCUMBS
Washington, July 19.—Johnny Webb, 747-pound professional fat man, died today in his quarters at a carnival here. Physicians said death was due to disorders arising from his excessive weight. Webb, who was 32, had traveled with circuses and carnivals since the age of three when he weighed 150 pounds. He was a native of Altoona, Pa. His great girth necessitated construction of a special coffin, five feet wide.

TURN LOOSE MONEY
Raleigh, July 19.—The works progress administration today turned loose an additional \$222,312.23 in federal and sponsors' funds for 13 new relief projects in North Carolina. The projects, George W. Coan, Jr., WPA administrator, said, will give employment to 589 needy persons. Eight projects call for improvements of school buildings or grounds. The largest allotment was \$93,983 for improving farm-to-market roads in Cleveland county. The work will provide jobs for 185 men.

INTANGIBLES REVENUE
Raleigh, July 19.—North Carolina municipalities and counties will receive \$424,224 of the \$904,633.33 collected during the 1937-38 fiscal year under the new state tax on intangibles, the board of assessments announced today. The state government also will receive \$434,224. The remainder, \$36,185.33, will be used to defray expenses of collecting the levy. Payments to counties and municipalities range from \$28,437.86 for Charlotte to 44 cents for Orum.

WOULD SELL TOWN
Hollywood, July 19.—The once booming mining town of Tombstone, Ariz., is willing to sell itself, lock, stock and barrel, to the movie industry for \$75,000. Producer Harry Sherman, who has been on location there, referred the offer to Paramount studios. He said Walter H. Cole, editor of Tombstone's famous newspaper, "Epitaph," canvassed the town and found the people willing to sell. Back in 1902 Tombstone was a teeming town of 7,000 persons; the population today is approximately 500.

Union Services In Three Churches
Pastors Will Alternate In Union Services at Churches In City

Sunday night union services will be held for six weeks beginning July 31 with the Presbyterian, Methodist and Baptist churches participating. Each of the three pastors will preach in two of the services, and there will be two services held in each of the three churches. The choir of the church where the service is held will be responsible for the music.

Below is a schedule agreed upon by the pastors and churches:

July 31, Rev. A. L. Aycock at Presbyterian.
August 7, Rev. Watt M. Cooper at Baptist.
August 14, Rev. Eugene Olive at Methodist.
August 21, Rev. A. L. Aycock at Baptist.
August 28, Rev. Watt M. Cooper at Methodist.
September 4, Rev. Eugene Olive at Presbyterian.

Dress of Gold



New York... Miss Elizabeth Fay, New York social registerite, wearing the first East Indian fabricated gold dress made in America. It was designed by Muriel Kaiser of the Traphagen School of Fashion here. The material, native woven sari with gold threads, has been produced exclusively for East Indian consumption for three hundred years and was recently imported to America from Benares by Sirdar Kumar Jagjit Singh.

Absentee Vote Fraud Charges Will Be Aired

Raleigh, July 20.—Charges that "dead men" went to the polls and that live men stayed home and cast absentee ballots by the bunch will be aired Friday when the state board of elections meets here to continue its investigation of the recent North Carolina primaries.

Whether the board finally will certify returns of the run-off primary of July 2 remained in doubt tonight, Raymond C. Maxwell, secretary, said he doubted that the investigation would be completed unless the board decided to remain in session for several days.

Observers said there was little chance that the returns would be declared official until all of the fraud charges were considered.

Assault Charges Wait

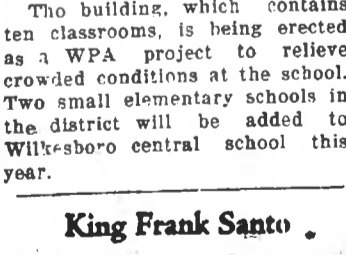
Maxwell said the board would not investigate charges that workers for candidates were assaulted while gathering evidence of alleged irregularities.

Make Progress On School Building

Workmen are busily engaged in finish work on the new Wilkesboro school building in an effort to have the building ready for use when schools open on August 29, it was learned today from the office of the county board of education.

The building, which contains ten classrooms, is being erected as a WPA project to relieve crowded conditions at the school. Two small elementary schools in the district will be added to Wilkesboro central school this year.

King Frank Santo



Wildwood, N. J. ... Frank Santo, 13 years old, son of an unemployed miner of Throop, Pa., was crowned the marble king of the United States. His victory set him a \$150 radio set and a wrist watch.

Committee Named To Inspect Sites For City Hall Here

Mayor McNiel, Ralph Duncan And T. S. Kenerly To Secure Options

WOULD ISSUE BONDS

Funds Now Used To Pay Rents Would Pay Bond Interest, Principal

Mayor R. T. McNiel and the city board of commissioners met in special session Tuesday night to discuss the proposal to erect a municipal building.

After going into the proposed plan to erect a city hall as a WPA project with the cost shared between the city as sponsor and the federal government a committee was appointed to inspect available lots and to secure options.

With Mayor McNiel Commissioners Ralph Duncan and T. S. Kenerly were named on the committee.

Mayor McNiel said today that the members of the committee wish to confer with any person who has a suitable lot for sale at a reasonable price.

In discussion of the proposal it was pointed out that the city is now paying rent in the amount of \$1,920 for quarters which would be contained in a municipal building.

Quarters which are now being leased include the city hall, fire department, WPA quarters and warehouse.

The plan as now being considered would call for issuing city bonds in amount sufficient to cover the sponsor's contribution to the building. The amount now being paid yearly for rents would pay interest and principal on the bonds, Mayor McNiel said.

Red Cross to Give Swim Instructions

Red Cross Aquatic Schools Offer Opportunity to Water Lovers

Wilkes county chapter of the American Red Cross will sponsor a swimming school at Hollywood Lake near Pores Knob, beginning Thursday afternoon, July 28.

The swimmers will be supervised by Isaac Duncan, youth of this city who is Red Cross life saving examiner for this district.

The courses are outlined as follows:

Non-swimmers: For those who would like to learn to swim by the easiest methods developed by the Red Cross aquatic schools.

Novice swimmers: For those lacking coordination in their strokes, and desire to learn the proper movements for each designated stroke.

Swimmers: For those possessing good swimming ability, and know the proper movements designated under novice; and for those who are interested in speed swimming, junior and senior life saving and water games.

In making announcement of the courses Red Cross officials said: "If you would like to swim, or to be a better swimmer, the Red Cross offers you an excellent opportunity at this time through its aquatic courses."

James Ritchie, proprietor of Hollywood Lake, has kindly consented to admit those free on Thursday afternoon who take swimming courses under Mr. Duncan.

This is the first time that a swimming course has been offered as a Red Cross project here and it is expected that many will take advantage of the opportunities afforded.

To Begin Revival At Roaring River Saturday Night

Rev. A. W. Lynch, pastor, has announced that a revival will begin at Roaring River Methodist church Saturday night, July 23.

He will be assisted during the revival by Mrs. C. L. Stedlev, of High Point, evangelist who has met with unusual success. Services will be held each day and evening. The evening services will begin at 7:30 and hour of the day services will be announced.

Mr. W. B. Somers is having an attractive residence constructed on his lot in Wilkesboro just west of the high school building.

New Indian Trade Commissioner



NEW YORK CITY... Hardit Singh Malik, I. C. S., O. E. B. newly appointed by the Government of India as its trade commissioner for North America, is shown with his wife and two children as they arrived here recently. The Indian government hopes to increase trade relations between the two countries by this commissionship.

Club Secretary Gives Account Of Interesting Trip

T. E. Story Returns From Convention of Kiwanis International

T. E. Story, secretary of the North Wilkesboro Kiwanis Club, returned Friday from San Francisco, where he attended the annual convention of Kiwanis International as a delegate of the North Wilkesboro club.

At the request of The Journal-Patriot Mr. Story gave the following brief report of his interesting trip:

Those making trip: T. E. Story, Don Story, V. E. Jennings and Sam Smoak.

Date left: Monday, June 13.

Returned: Thursday, July 14. Thirty-two days for trip.

Traveled 8,310 miles and used 465 gallons of gas.

Average cost of gas nineteen cents per gallon.

We passed through twenty-three states, and also spent a few hours in each of Old Mexico and British Columbia.

We visited the following National Parks: Carlsbad Caverns, N. Mex.; Grand Canyon, Ariz.; Zion National Park, Utah; Boulder Dam, Ariz.; Yosemite, Calif.; and Yellowstone National Park, Wyo. Passed through or near numerous other parks and interesting areas.

Drove more than two hundred miles up the Pacific Coast in California, and was detained for a day on the coast of upper California while steam shovels removed a sliding mountain off the highway.

Attended International Kiwanis Convention four days, and heard many interesting addresses, most of which were concerning International Good Will. Seven thousand Kiwanians were in attendance at this convention. It followed the Rotary Convention (Continued on page eight)

"Hell Drivers" To Perform At Fair

Famous Attraction Secured For One Day Northwestern Fair

Officials of the Northwestern Fair, which plans a big exposition here during the week beginning September 12, said today that contract had been signed for a performance by Martin C. Wilson's "Hell Drivers" for one day during the fair.

The famous act, which has been widely acclaimed as the most thrilling outdoor performance, is scheduled for Thursday, September 15.

Meanwhile plans for a well rounded program of attractions are going forward and grandstand attractions for each afternoon and night of the five-day exposition have been secured through Hamid Attractions, Inc., which control practically all of the leading outdoor attractions.

Premium lists have been in process of distribution during the past month. Premiums were substantially increased to total \$2,000, the largest amount ever offered at a fair here. General increases were made throughout the list with predominating additions to premiums for apples and in the home makers department.

Farmers Need Greater Share Of National Income, Secretary Of National Grange Says At Picnic

"Farmer Bob" In This City Today

Congressman R. L. "Farmer Bob" Doughton, of the Ninth District, was over from his home at Laurel Springs today shaking hands with friends and looking after business matters.

Congressman Doughton, who recently underwent an operation in Washington, D. C., apparently has regained his former health and activity, his many friends throughout this section will be glad to learn.

State Master And National Secretary Speak Before Wilkes Grange

WISDOM IS NEEDED

State Master Caldwell Lists Objectives Of State Organization

Declaring that solution of perplexing farm problems call for more intelligence than ever before, Harry A. Caton, of Coshocton, Ohio, secretary of the National Grange, addressed the annual picnic of Wilkes county Pomona Grange held Tuesday evening.

Despite inclement weather which necessitated removal of the picnic from outdoor grounds near Moravian Falls to the Wilkesboro school building at the last moment, all Granges in the county were represented in the meeting and a sumptuous dinner was spread in the home economics rooms of the building.

T. E. Ferguson, Pomona master, called the meeting to order and presented Harry B. Caldwell, of Greensboro, master of the State Grange. Using as a theme, "Wisdom is the principal thing; therefore get wisdom," the state master in his usual eloquent style delivered an inspirational message to the Grange. He said that in solution of national and international problems wisdom is greatly needed.

Mr. Caldwell reviewed last year's legislative objectives, saying that all except homestead exemptions were enacted by the legislature in the state. He said the state Grange favors addition of the 12th grade to the state school system, more improvement on secondary roads, rural electrification expansion and honesty in elections.

In the outset of his address National Secretary Caton said that in the old days farmers who faced problems pulled out and left them, going west to territory and soil which had not been exploited. That is no longer possible, he said and other solutions requiring more diligence and intelligence are sought. He mentioned as highly important the constant search for new uses of farm products, saying that hope for sale of great quantities of farm products in foreign markets has passed.

He declared that farmers need and must have a greater share of the national income, which last year was \$67,000,000,000 with only seven billions received by farm people representing one-fourth of the population of the country. A more equitable distribution of the farm income is one of the major objectives of the Grange, he said.

Pool Will Open Here This Week

Incessant Rains Have Prevented Completion Of Necessary Repairs

The Lions club plans to open the Riverside swimming pool Friday afternoon, one o'clock, provided weather conditions permit completion of repair work.

Opening of the pool has been held up a few days this week because rainy weather did not permit tar patching work.

Bill Crews, who has qualified as a Red Cross life guard, will be in charge of the pool and there will be one assistant.

The pool will be open every day except Sunday. The hours will be 10 a. m. to 12 and from 1 p. m. until dark.

G. S. O'Dell, Wilkes county sanitarian, has assisted in work of preparing the pool for use and the pool will meet all sanitation requirements, officials of the club said.

The pool, which was constructed several years ago by private interests and operated for only one season, will be operated by the Lions as a non-profit project. A small admission charge of ten cents for children and 20 cents for adults will be made to defray cost of repairs and operation of the pool. No bathing suits will be rented and each person must furnish his or her own suit.

While North Carolina produced a 45 million dollar crop of corn in 1937, the state sold only \$2,000,000 worth, reports Chief Statistician, W. H. Rhodes, of the State Department of Agriculture.

Parkway Surface Being Applied On 58 Miles of Route

Work Will Be Completed Late This Summer, Officials Announce

Workmen are proceeding as fast as the weather will permit on the task of surfacing 58 miles of the Blue Ridge parkway from the Virginia line southward to Deep Gap, park service officials said today.

They explained, however, that three treatments will be applied to the road surface and that the work will be in progress at some point or other along the route practically all summer.

The work was begun at Deep Gap and the contractor has applied the penetrating coat of oil and tar on about half of the route. The second treatment is known as the sealine coat and the third will be the finishing coat, which may be applied about September 1.

The work necessitates closing the parkway where the surface is being applied and for a few days after it is put down.

A dry roadbed is essential to progress in surfacing of this type and the time the work is completed will be determined by the amount and frequency of rain, park service officials said.

After the parkway is graded a substantial surface of crushed stone was applied as a base for the bituminous treatment. Travel by sightseers resulted in the base becoming thoroughly settled and in good condition for application of the surface treatment.

Those who desire to motor over any part of the parkway could probably save time by first communicating with the park service office in Wilkesboro to learn what sections are closed for surfacing.

U. S. Buys Surplus Wheat

More than 8,000,000 bushels of surplus wheat will be utilized in flour and cereal bought by the Federal Surplus Commodities Corporation through offers from millers accepted this week, the Agricultural Adjustment Administration announced.

The flour and cereal are to be distributed to the nation's needy. Purchases of wheat products are being made to help farmers move into consumption a supply of wheat which for this year is reported to be greatly in excess of normal requirements.

Fresh vegetables as well as 600,000 pounds of American cheese will be purchased.

People Urged To Pay County Taxes

Attention is again called to the fact that penalty on county taxes for 1937 not paid on or before August 1 will be 5 1-2 per cent and that advertising cost will also be added to taxes not paid on or before that date. Levy and garnishee proceedings will be instituted for collection of personal property and poll taxes from those who listed no real estate.

Attention is also called to the fact that a discount of 2 1-2 per cent is allowed on 1938 taxes paid on or before August 1.

Singing Planned For Fifth Sunday

Baptist Home, Stony Fork And Beaver Creek Will Have Singing Meets

The fifth Sunday, July 31, will be the occasion for singing conventions at a number of points in Wilkes and adjoining counties.

Stone Mountain union singing will be held at Baptist Home church north of this city on highway 19. The day's program will begin at ten o'clock with devotional by the pastor, Rev. S. L. Blevins. All gospel singers are invited and a successful singing is expected, the chairman said in announcement of the convention.

Southside Singing association will be held in Beaver Creek's new church. Attorney F. J. McDuffie, chairman, said that the program will begin at ten o'clock and continue through the day. A basket dinner picnic style will be spread at noon.

Blue Ridge Singing association will be held at Stony Fork Baptist church near the Wilkes-Watauga line and near highway 421. The day's program will begin at ten o'clock and the singing will be supplemented by an address by Judge Johnson J. Hayes about 11:15 a. m. Rev. Vilas Minton, pastor, will conduct the devotional. R. L. Wagoner will welcome visitors and A. M. McNeel will respond to the address of welcome. J. C. McNeill, chairman of the association, made announcement of the singing and invited all singers to be present and take part in the day's program. Those attending are asked to carry baskets for the picnic style dinner.

In The Good Old Summer Time



ATLANTIC CITY, N. J. ... Celebrating its fortieth anniversary this summer, the Atlantic City Steel Pier dramatized its growth by staging a 46-year review of what made the seashore famous... bathing suits. Styles ranged from the long skirts, bloomers, stockings, and bathing shoes of the gay '90s up to the latest modern mode, worn by Miss Ann Rapp (center), Miss Atlantic City of last year's pageant.